IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 06-224)

In the Appli	cation of:)
	Leslie Raymond Bates et al) Examiner: D.J. Parsley
Serial No.	10/574,999)
) Group Art Unit: 3643
Filed:	April 7, 2006)
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Title:	Improvements in and Relating to Oil Well) Conf. No. 3523
	Perforators)
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Commission	ner for Patents	
P.O. Box 14	150	
Alexandria	VA 22313-1450	

REQUEST FOR REFUND

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for refund, with respect to charges withdrawn from Deposit Account 13-2490, shown on the Deposit Account statement dated January, 2009 for the above-identified application. (See Appendix A)

II. FEES FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

Excess claim fee charged on 1/16/09 in the amount of	\$ 220.00
Excess claim fees charged on 1/16/09 in the amount of	\$ 780.00

Total Refund Requested - \$1,000.00

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

- On January 16, 2009 the applicant filed a Preliminary Amendment in aboveidentified application that added additional claims to the application. Claims 1-28 were pending prior to the Preliminary Amendment. Claims 1-27 and 29-44 were pending following the Preliminary Amendment.
- The added claims required the payment of \$1,000.00 in excess claim fees.

On January 21, 2009 the examiner issued a Non-Final Office Action in the aboveidentified application. The Non-Final Office Action was based upon filed claims
1-28. The examiner did not consider or evaluate the patentability of the claims
presented by way of the January 16, 2009 Preliminary Amendment. Therefore,
the January 16, 2009 Preliminary Amendment was not entered.

 The applicants therefore respectfully request a refund of the \$1,000.00 excess claim fees paid on January 16, 2009 in the above-identified application because the excess claim fees were for claims that the examiner did not enter or consider.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Date:

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Reg. No. 32,901
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APPENDIX A





Deposit Account Statement

Requested Statement Month: January 2009

Deposit Account Number: 132490

MCDONNELL BOEHNEN HULBERT & BERGHOFF, LTD. Name:

Attention: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE Street Address 1: 300 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE

Street Address 2: SEVENTH FLOOR

City: CHICAGO

State: IL

60606 Zip: Country: UNITED STATES

DATE SEQ	POSTING REF TXT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NBR	FEE CODE	AMT	BAL
01/02 43	10492112	04-287	1253	\$1,110.00	\$62,335.00
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